

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FERTILE VALLEY #285
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 12, 2025

A regular meeting of council for the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley #285 was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, in the Council Chambers, 316 Railway Avenue, in Conquest, Saskatchewan.

Present were:

Reeve: Barry Friesen

Councillors for

Div. 1: Lonnie Ingell (abs)

Div. 2: Bryce Mauch

Div. 3: Mike Z. Hofer (abs)

Div. 4: Bob Silverthorn

Div. 5: Craig Barrington

Div. 6: Bill Thompson

Administrator L. Jean Jones

Reeve Friesen called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

34/25

MAUCH: That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes

35/25

SILVERTHORN: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 8, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

List of Accounts for Approval

36/25

BARRINGTON: That cheques numbering 17013-17049, direct deposits, and EFT payments for January and February 2025, all totaling \$123,360.73 as shown on the attached List of Accounts for Approval be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Statement of Financial Activities

37/25

THOMPSON: That the Statement of Financial Activities for the month of January 2025 and Bank Reconciliation at January 31, 2025 shall be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

38/25

MAUCH: That the list of correspondence be acknowledged as attached to and forming a part of these minutes, now be filed.

CARRIED.

39/25 Change to Outlook Landfill Fees for Ratepayers
BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 make a change to the maximum fee allowed to be hauled to the Outlook Landfill by ratepayers to be \$50.00 per month for household garbage only. Any amounts above will be the responsibility of the ratepayer.
CARRIED.

40/25 Snow Removal Contractor for 2025
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 contract 2D Excavating Limited for snow removal in 2025.
CARRIED.

41/25 March Council Meeting Date Changed
SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 reschedule the March meeting date to March 10, 2025 due to the SARM Annual Convention March 11-13, 2025. That the change be posted.
CARRIED.

42/25 Voting Delegates to the SARM Annual Convention
MAUCH: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 appoint Councillors Lonnie Ingell and Bill Thompson as voting delegates to the SARM Annual Convention March 11-13, 2025 in Saskatoon.
CARRIED.

43/25 SARM Annual Convention Expenses Reimbursement
THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 reimburse any Member of Council for travel or meal expenses to attend the SARM Annual Convention, March 11-13, 2025 in Saskatoon.
CARRIED.

44/25 Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association Delegate
BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 appoint Bob Silverthorn as delegate to attend the 2025 Annual Meeting of Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association at Saskatoon Prairieland Park on Tuesday, March 11, 2025.
CARRIED.

BM

45/25

Purchase of CAT 160 15A AWD Grader

SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 accept Finning Canada (S01 Saskatoon) Quote 161359-03 of January 29, 2025 for a new CAT 160 15A AWD Grader \$570,126.88 plus applicable taxes and tire recycling fee (\$633,199.93).

CARRIED.

46/25

Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency Municipal Requisition 2025

MAUCH: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 pay the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency municipal requisition for 2025 in the amount of \$13,534.00.

CARRIED.

47/25

West Central Municipal Government Committee Membership

THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 renew our membership with West Central Municipal Government Committee at a cost of \$271.80 for 2025.

CARRIED.

48/25

2022 Arrears Tax Title Property to Acquire Title

BARRINGTON: That TAXervice, on behalf of the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285, be authorized to proceed under the *Tax Enforcement Act* to acquire title for the following described land: LOT 28 BLK/PAR 6-PLAN G84 EXT 3, LOT 29-BLK/PAR 6-PLAN G84 EXT 0, LOT 30-BLK/PAR-6 PLAN G84 EXT 4, 121432610, 121432621, 121432632.

CARRIED.

49/25

2022 Arrears Tax Title Property to Acquire Title

SILVERTHORN: That TAXervice, on behalf of the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285, be authorized to proceed under the *Tax Enforcement Act* to acquire title for the following described land: LOT 15-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN G421 EXT 0, LOT 16-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN G421 EXT 0, 135912809, 135912854.

CARRIED.

BMP
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50/25

Dinsmore Library Levy 2025

MAUCH: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 approve the Dinsmore Library Levy of \$356.18 for 2025.

CARRIED.

51/25

RMAA/UMAAS Building and Technical Standards Workshop

THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 send the Administrator to a RMAA/UMAAS Building and Technical Standards Workshop in Swift Current on April 1, 2025. Any travel costs to be reimbursed by the municipality.

CARRIED.

52/25

Returning Officer Appointment for 2025

BARRINGTON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 appoint L. Jean Jones as Returning Officer for 2025.

CARRIED.

53/25

Alternate Administrator Appointment

SILVERTHORN: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 appoint Village of Conquest Administrator Bobbi R. Jones as Alternate Administrator if a Special Meeting needs to be called the municipal administrator is absent.

CARRIED.

54/25

Non-Ratepayer Custom Rate for Patrol Increase

THOMPSON: That the R.M. of Fertile Valley #285 increase the Non-ratepayer Custom Rate for Patrol to \$250.00/hr.

CARRIED.

55/25

Adjournment

MAUCH: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

CARRIED.

Reeve, Friesen

Administrator, Jones